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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE**  
**ON**  
**LAW AND JUSTICE**

Tuesday, May 9, 2017                      9:00 a.m.                      Room 327 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Law and Justice was called to order by Chairman Kesto.

Members present: Reps. Kesto, Lucido, Graves, Howrylak, Roberts, Theis, Albert, Chang, Guerra, Liberati, Wittenberg.

Members absent/excused: Rep. Robinson,

Representative Lucido moved to adopt the minutes of May 2, 2017. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Representative Chang moved to excuse absent members. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

Chairman Kesto laid before the committee the following presentations on Safe and Secure Rehabilitation:

Kevin Stotts, representing Talent 2025, gave a presentation to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

Mark Miller and Kenyatta Brame, both representing Cascade Engineering, gave a presentation to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

J.T. Weis, representing Abcor Industries, gave a presentation to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

John Schwartz, representing Trinity Health – Michigan, gave a presentation to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

Tim Sowton, representing Business Leaders for Michigan, gave a presentation to the committee. John Schwartz, representing Trinity Health – Michigan, returned to follow up on discussion. Questions and discussion followed.

Chairman Kesto laid the following bills before the committee:

HB 4332 (Brann)	Crimes; animals; penalties for crimes against animals; enhance, and make other revisions.
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HB 4333 (Brann) Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for crimes of animal cruelty; enact and amend.

Representative Brann testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Joshua Holman, representing the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Ann Griffin, representing the Michigan Humane Society, and Beatrice Friedlander, representing Attorneys for Animals, testified together in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

The following individuals submitted a card in support of the bills, but did not wish to speak:

Ann Griffin, representing the State Bar of Michigan, Animal Law Section.

Lydia Sattler, representing the Humane Society of the United States.

Kathy Hagenian, representing the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence.

There being no further business before the committee, Chairman Kesto adjourned the meeting, the time being 10:33 a.m.

**Representative Klint Kesto, Chair**\_\_\_\_\_

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